

**SEVIER FAMILY
GENEALOGICAL COLLECTION
1911-1926**

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INTRODUCTION

The Sevier Family Genealogical Collection is centered around the research of Alva N. Turner, genealogist of the Sevier family of Tennessee and descendant of Col. Valentine Sevier (1747-1800). Donor is Alva N. Turner, Ina, Illinois. The collection occupies .48 cubic feet of shelf space and contains approximately 175 items.

Single photocopies of unpublished writings in the Sevier Family Genealogical Collection may be made for purposes of scholarly research.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Sevier Family Genealogical Collection consists chiefly of the correspondence of Alva N. Turner, genealogist of the Sevier family of Tennessee and descendant of Col. Valentine Sevier (1747-1800). Mr. Turner resided in Mendota, Wisconsin and Ina, Illinois during the period covered by the collection. The correspondence and other related items were sent to John Trotwood Moore, Tennessee State Librarian, to be filed with Sevier family materials.

The correspondence is arranged chronologically and comprises Turner's letters to John Trotwood Moore and letters to Turner from Sevier family researchers or family members. The bulk of the letters were written between 1922 and 1925. The collection also includes three clippings, a short memoir, and two picture postcards. The clippings consist of two newspaper articles by Alva N. Turner about his genealogical research and one article concerning the business success of a Sevier descendant, J.O. Monroe. The memoir is a copy of one written by Maj. James Sevier, son of Gen. John Sevier, in 1839. The two postcards are color drawings of the Old Block House at Knoxville, Tennessee, built in 1793.

CONTAINER LIST

Box Number 1

1. Clippings, 1922-24
2. Correspondence, 1911-20
3. Correspondence, 1922
4. Correspondence, 1923
5. Correspondence, 1924
6. Correspondence, 1925
7. Correspondence, 1926
8. Correspondence, n.d.
9. Memoir--Sevier, James, 1839
10. Photographs, drawings, etc.--Postcards, n.d.